

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Health, Medical & Family Welfare Department - Declaring the MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre as Apex Cancer Institute for Andhra Pradesh- Orders – issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (E2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 104

Dated: 31-05-2014.

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.128, HM&FW (M2) Dept dated;21-3-1996
2. G.O.Ms.No.382, HM&FW (M2) Dept dated;05-10-1996
3. From the Director, MNJIO&RCC, Hyderabad, Lr.No.A2 / MNJIO & RCC/2013/13, Dated;17-7-2013
4. Govt.Memo.No.13929/E2/2013, Dated;07-8-2013
5. From Director of Medical Education, AP, Hyderabad, Letter No.4906/P1/2014 , Dated; 07-2-2014
6. From the Director, MNJIO&RCC, Hyderabad, Letter No.Dir.peshi/ MNJIO & RCC/2014, Dated;03-3-2014.

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In letter 3rd read above, the Director, MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre, Hyderabad has reported that MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre had its origin as the Radium Institute & Cancer Hospital and was inaugurated by Sri Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru as a near 40 bedded cancer hospital in 1955. The Govt. of India accorded the status of Regional Cancer Center on 12/03/1996. In compliance with the requirement of Govt. of India to accord RCC status to MNJ institute, the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh declared MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre as an Autonomous Institute under State Govt. vide G.O.1st read above and the institute is registered as society to be governed by Governing Council headed by the Hon'ble Chief Minister as Chairman. The Govt. has approved the Memorandum of Association, Rules & Regulations, general byelaws and financial byelaws vide G.O.2nd read above.

2. MNJ Institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Center is now a 250 bedded comprehensive cancer care center. Upgrading this institute to a 450 bedded cancer center is under active consideration of the Govt. and is the sole tertiary public referral center for entire state of Andhra Pradesh. The institute is not only catering to the needs of the patients of the state of Andhra Pradesh but also to the patients from neighboring States. Even patients from countries like Nigeria are being treated at this institute. More than 10,000 new cancer patients are registered per year and more than 110,000 patients come for follow-up totaling of 120,000 patients per year. 1500 major surgeries and 1000 minor surgeries are performed per year. Every day 300 patients are being given Radiotherapy and about 300 patients are being given Chemotherapy. More than

1.5 lakh cancer-related investigations are done every year. It is the only comprehensive tertiary cancer center of the state Government to provide surgery, radiotherapy and medical oncology and palliative care services free of cost to all the patients below the poverty line. The above mentioned statistics reveal that this hospital is serving one of the highest number of patients in the country.

3. He has further reported that they have also started 40 bedded Paediatric Medical Oncology ward with support of NATCO trust at an estimated cost of Rs.1.0 crore. Another NGO 'IMPACT' has constructed additional ward to accommodate 35 children all totaling to 75 bedded ward for care of children with cancer and will be the third largest in the country after Tata Memorial Cancer

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Center, Mumbai and Cancer Institute in Chennai. The following departments/services are available in MNJ Institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre :

1. Medical Oncology including Paediatric Medical Oncology
2. Radiation Oncology
3. Surgical Oncology
4. Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery
5. Nuclear Medicine
6. Radiology
7. Anaesthesia
8. Pathology
9. Biochemistry
10. Dental Surgery
11. Palliative Medicine
12. Preventive Oncology
13. Tobacco Cessation Clinic
14. Molecular Oncology

4. The Director, MNJ Institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Center has also reported that the bed occupancy is always 80% more than the sanctioned strength of 250 beds at any given time with 400 to 450 inpatients. In spite of pending administrative sanction for a 450 bed capacity, the institute is already catering to the needs of bed strength of 450. Proposals were received by the Government to accord administrative sanction by increasing the bed strength of this institution from 250 to 450. It is also stated that they are constructing a 5 storied Golden Jubilee Block on the South side of the hospital. The additional bed strength created will be accommodated in the Golden Jubilee block after completion of construction possibly within next 6 months time. A choultry or shelter is also available to house patients' attendants in a separate building in the vicinity of the hospital.

5. In view of the above, the Director, MNJIO&RCC has requested the Government to declare the MNJ Institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Center as Apex Cancer Institute for Andhra Pradesh which will help the institute to tap more funds from Govt. of India and other NGOs annually and from time to time.

6. In letter 4th read above, the Director of Medical Education, has been requested to submit remarks on the proposal of the Director, MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre for declaring the MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre as Apex Cancer Institute for Andhra Pradesh' duly stating as to whether such a declaration would help improve the quality of service delivery, improve the administrative efficiency and also state as to how it would help tap more funds as mentioned by Director, MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre.

7. In letter 5th read above, the Director of Medical Education has submitted the following remarks as to why the MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre

can be declared as Apex Cancer Institute for Andhra Pradesh and how it will help to improve the overall efficiency of the Institute.

- i. MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre is a stand alone comprehensive cancer institute of the State of A.P., providing free treatment to the Cancer patients. It was declared as an autonomous Institute vide G.O.Ms. No. 128, M&H dt. 21-3-1996 with Hon'ble Chief Minister as Chairman of the Governing Council of MNJIO&RCC. It was declared as Regional Cancer Centre by the Govt. of India for the State of A.P.

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- ii. More than 10000 new cancer patients are treated per year and more than 110000 patient come for follow-up. 1500 major and 1000 minor surgeries are performed per year. Every day 300 patient are being given radiotherapy and about 300 patients are being given chemotherapy. The equipments and facilities available in a Govt. owned MNJIO&RCC are comparable with any of the tertiary corporate cancer institutes.
- iii. The Institute provides standard comprehensive treatment to cancer patients besides conducting postgraduate courses, paramedical courses related to Oncology.
- iv. Declaring this institution as Apex State Cancer institute will certainly improve the service delivery in the whole State of Andhra Pradesh as a tertiary referral center. Newer Departments like Microbiology has been started in addition to acquiring more sophisticated diagnostic equipment in Radiotherapy, Biochemistry and Pathology. Preventive Oncology also will improve with addition of Mammography equipment for detection of early breast cancers. In the recent Executive Board meeting, approvals have been given to induct international visiting consultants. Under Non Communicable diseases programme, it will provide opportunities for networking and strengthening the medical college hospitals and district headquarters hospitals through Telemedicine facilities available in the Institute. The Institute will provide additional higher education in Oncology like DM (Medical Oncology) , Mch in surgical oncology , DNB courses in Nuclear Medicine and Palliative Medicine. The administrative efficiency will certainly improve as the proposal of the Institute seeking administrative sanction to increase the bed strength to 450, is under active consideration of the Government.
- v. Declaring MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre as Apex State Cancer Institute will provide an opportunity to tap funds from time to time from Govt. of India and other NGOs. In the current budget year, the Govt. of India will provide funds to the tune of Rs.120 crores if this is declared as

Apex State cancer Institute. Such declaration will also improve international collaborations and help the Institute to produce skilled manpower in areas of research like Medical Oncology, Palliative Care, Nuclear Medicine and Medical Physics.

8. Therefore, the Director of Medical Education has recommended to declare the MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre as the Apex Cancer Institute for the State of Andhra Pradesh. The DME has, therefore, requested to take appropriate decision so that it will benefit the institute and public. However, the academic line between the Govt. Medical Colleges and MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre is to be preserved and strengthened for the known reasons. They both have a symbiotic relationship benefitting mutually.

9. The Government after careful examination of the matter hereby declare the MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre as Apex Cancer Institute for Andhra Pradesh'.

10. The Director, MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre shall explore the feasibility of locating the proposed expanded MNJIO&RCC in Bibinagar Campus., in consultation with Director, NIMS and Government.

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11. The Director, MNJIO&RCC, Hyderabad shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

12. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (Expr.M&H.1) Department vide their U.O.No.6612/105/A1/Exp.M&H.I/2014, Dated: 22/03/2014.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Director, MNJ institute of Oncology & Regional Cancer Centre, A.P, Hyderabad
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